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POETRY.

Hurrah! for Cass and Butler.

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Do the cry from every tongue;

For the democratic banner;

To the breeze again it flung.

Hurrah! for Cass and Butler!

Names brighter never shone;

On a fold so fondly guarded

As a freedom people's own.

Hurrah! for Cass and Butler!

For the pen and for the hand;

That never shrunk from guarding

The hero of our land:

Either when the Briton proudly

Chained the sceptre of the wave;

Or upon our soil the Aztec

Threw down the reeking glaive.

Hurrah! for those who proudly

May point to what they were

In days by-gone; who fear not

To tell us what they are!

Who believe the thoughts of rulers

'Tis a people's right to know,

And who, to every vital measure,

Either stand a friend or foe.

THE ANACONDA.

A TALE OF CEYLON.

You are already aware—said Everard Brooks,

while seated amidst the friends who had met to

listen to his story—that my fortune was made in

the island of Ceylon. It was there that I was

lucky enough to find employment in the house

of a man whose virtues rendered him as much

the object of universal esteem, as the favors which

he conferred on me, entitled him to my peculiar

gratitude. I was engaged by him as his secretary,

but, all other names were soon forgotten by

us both in that of friends. He was an English-

man, as well as myself, and perhaps this had

no slight influence in producing so strict an intimacy

between us. A variety of untoward circum-

stances had compelled him to abandon his native

land, and sail in pursuit of fortune in the East—

His toil had been vain; the capricious goddess

who had fled from him with such disdain in Eu-

rope, now showered her favors upon his head

with the most unwaried profusion. He had

consumed but a few years in Ceylon, and was

already rich, and possessed of a distinguished

station. It seemed as if fortune was, at length

resolved to convince the world that she was not

always blind; for had she searched the whole is-

land through, she would have found it difficult to

bestow wealth upon wiser or better man. But

of all his treasures, that which he counted the

most precious, was a wife, who united all the

beauty and graces of her sex with all the firm-

ness and judgment of ours.

My friend and patron (his name was Seafield)

possessed a villa at a small distance from Colum-

bo. The place, it is true, was of no great ex-

tent, but it united in their fullest perfection, all

those charms which rendered nature in that cli-

mate so irresistibly enchanting. This was Sea-

field's most beloved residence, and hither he has-

tened, whenever the duties of his station per-

mitted his absenting himself for a few days from

Columbo; in particular, there was a small cir-

cular pavilion designed by his own hand, and

raised under his own inspection, to which he

was particularly partial, and in which he was

accustomed to pass the greater portion of his

time. It stood some few hundred yards from

the dwelling house, and was situated on a small

eminence, whence the prospect over land and sea

was of a description rich, varied, and extensive.

after daybreak; yet Seafield was already a-

broad.

'As usual, he has ascended the hill to enjoy

the beauty of the rising sun,' said Zadi, Seafield's

old and attached servant.

'We shall find him in the pavilion then?' said

Louisa.

'Not an hour ago, I left him there, writing,

was the reply.

'We will go (thither and surprise him,' she said,

addressing herself to me; 'wait here while I

change my dress; a few moments will suffice for

my toilet, and I shall expect to find you on my

return.'

In the meanwhile, I remained leaning against

one of the columns which supported the small

portico by which the door was sheltered. Hence

I enjoyed an uninterrupted view of the hill and

the pavilion, which surrounded by its light and

beautiful garden of palm trees, attracted the sight

irresistibly. While my eye dwelt with satisfac-

tion on their broad sheltering heads, I fancied

that I could discover a large expanse upon

the stem of one of them, extremely unusual in

those trees, which in general rear themselves

perpendicularly towards the sky, regular and

straight as the pillars of a colonnade. It resem-

bled a large branch extending from one stem to

its neighbor; and what puzzled me more in this

appearance was, that it seemed occasionally to

be waved backwards and forwards though the

breathing of the sea-gale was so gentle, that it

scarcely waved the leaves of the neighboring

branches.

I was still puzzling myself with conjectures,

when Zadi drew near me with some light re-

freshments. I pointed to the branch whose ap-

parent motion had excited so much of my atten-

tion, and inquired whether he could at all ac-

count for the strong effect produced upon it by

the sea breeze, while the slighter boughs were

so gently agitated. He immediately turned his

gaze upon the palm trees, but no sooner did his

eye rest upon the spot in question, than the sil-

ver basket with its contents dropped from his

hands; the paleness of death spread itself over

his swarthy countenance; and while his eyes ex-

pressed the deepest horror and consternation, he

pronounced with difficulty, 'the anaconda! that

is the anaconda! We are undone!'

What could have produced an effect so sud-

den and violent upon a man whom I well knew

to inherit from nature the most determined

courage, and most remarkable self-possession,

was to me absolutely incomprehensible.

'Tell me,' I exclaimed, 'what terrifies you

thus? what mean you by the anaconda?'

Zadi endeavored to recover himself; but be-

fore he had time for explanation, Mrs. Seafield

joined us, and, putting her arm in mine, advan-

ced towards the pavilion. Zadi's tongue was now

loosened.

'Stay,' said he; 'proceed not a step beyond

these walls. Every door and window must be

bolted. Ah! Mr. Everard, that branch of the

palm-trees is no branch—it is a snake! a terri-

ble snake! We call it the anaconda, and its kind

is in size the most enormous, in nature the most

fierce, and in appetite the most ravenous of any

to be found through Ceylon! See! See!' he con-

tinued, approaching one of the windows, 'see

how the monster plays among the branches!—

It always twines and twists itself into those folds,

and knots, and circles, when it prepares to dart

itself upon the ground like lightning to seize its

prey! Oh! my master! my poor dear master!—

he can never escape! nothing can save him!'

Half of this alarming explanation was more

than enough to throw the wretched Louisa into

a state of distraction. Her features so distorted

by terror that she was scarcely to be known for

the same woman, her eyes stretched almost to

bursting, and her hands folded together with as

strong a grasp as if she meant them never again

to be separated, she exclaimed, in a voice so

expressive of solicitation, that it pierced her

hearers to the very heart—

'My husband! my beloved! Oh, help me to

save him, good men! Forsake him not! Oh!

er not discover his being so near, or at any rate

will be unable to break through the bulwarks

which separate them. The whole business,

therefore, is a disagreeable blockade for an hour

or perhaps less, at the end of which the anacon-

da will grow weary of waiting for its prey, and,

by retreating to seek it in some other quarter, will

release our friend.'

The satisfaction with which I thus endeavor-

ed to reassure the agonized heart of Louisa, was

not thoroughly established in my own. But

Zadi, whose own feelings were too much agi-

tated by his master's situation to permit his at-

tending to those of others, hastened with too little

consideration to destroy the hope which I so

fondly indulged, and with which I strove to

soothe the afflicted wife.

'Oh, no, no, no!' he exclaimed; 'we must

not reckon upon the snake's leaving us so soon!

When the anaconda has once chosen a group of

trees for her abode, and is seen to sport among

the branches, in the manner in which we saw

her amusing herself, she will remain there for

whole weeks, waiting patiently for her prey, till

every chance of success fails her, and absolute

famine compels her to emigrate; but her capaci-

ty of existing without food is almost inconceiv-

able, and till she removes of her own free will,

no human power is able to drive her from her

retreat.'

'Perhaps you are right, my good Zadi,' said

I; 'but we must do our best to dispossess the

animal of its lodgment, and frustrate its inten-

tions. Come along, my friends; let us sally

forth with caution, and see what is to be done.'

Thus saying, I was immediately followed by

the male attendants of the household, armed in

the best manner that could be effected. Under

favor of the thick underwood, we continued to

advance, till we were scarcely more than a hun-

dred paces from the monster. The huge snake

was still employed in twisting itself into a thou-

sand coils among the palm-branches, with such

restless activity, with rapidly so inconceivable

that it was frequently impossible for the eye to

follow her movements. At one moment she

fastened herself by her tail to the very summit

of the loftiest tree, and stretching out at her full

length, swung backwards and forwards like the

pendulum of a clock, so that her head seemed

to graze the earth beneath her; then in another

before the eye was aware of her intention, she

totally disappeared among the leafy cano-

pies. Now she appeared stretched out, her body

upon the grass, and with elevated head, and

high arched neck, describing a large or small

circle, as her capricious pleasure prompted.

These latter movements gave us an opportu-

nity to discriminate with more exactness the

singular richness and beauty of her tints. The

long body was covered with a network of glit-

tering scales, girdling it with rings above rings,

and effectually securing it against every attack.

Much as I admired the splendor of its garment,

not less did I wonder at the enormous size and

length of this terrific creature. But the tran-

quillity of our observation was suddenly distur-

bed. The animal deisted from her airy gam-

bol, and laid herself down close to the circular

pavilion, encompassing it entirely, as if deter-

mined to secure her destined victim.

Deeply penetrated by the sense of that dan-

ger by which my friend was menaced, I forgot

my own, and, seizing my gun, placed it in my

shoulder; the ball whistled through the air. I

was an excellent marksman, and was certain

that I had pointed my piece exactly at the mon-

ster's head; and yet, whether too great anxiety

had made my hand shake, or that the animal at

the very moment some slight change in

her attitude, I know not; but it is at least cer-

tain, that not the slightest shrinking gave me

reason to believe that she felt herself at all in-

jured. On the contrary, she only busied her-

self in removing attempts to gain an entrance

through the pavilion's windows; till at length,

seemingly wearied with her unavailing efforts,

she retired slowly, and concealed herself under

the verdant umbrella of the palm trees.

great distance. No one but he could have un-

derstood the door so cautiously, in order to leave

his little favorite at liberty to quit their com-

mon shelter; and Zadi was positive that he had

observed a ribbon fastened round the neck of

the animal, to which something white appeared

to be attached, in form resembling a letter. It

was then a message to us! a cry for assistance!

A sacred injunction that we should not abandon

him in this hour of his utmost need! But what

course were we to pursue? We discharged a

volley from our fire-arms, and a hail of bullets

rattled about the head of the gigantic snake—

but all was unavailing.

Day drew to a close. We returned to the

house, there to sustain the drooping spirits of

the miserable wife. Night passed away. It was

a night of misery, and the dawn of day found us

still devising schemes for the liberation of Sea-

field. At length—strange that such a brilliant

idea had not occurred sooner—Zadi proposed,

that if we could by any means appease the ap-

SIGNS OF THE TIMES.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Extract of a letter in the Washington Union, dated Georgetown, October 16:—

"It is unnecessary, I presume, to say to you, now that our State elections are over, that South Carolina, by her legislature, will in November cast her nine Electoral vote for Cass and Butler. This has for a long time been a fixed fact. I have received returns sufficient to authorize me to say that the Palmetto State is still in the front ranks of Democracy, and refuses to enlist under the banner of no party whigg availability. Her motto of 'measures, not men,' is still inscribed on her banner."

OHIO.—Here is one from Ohio, Oct. 15:— "You will have seen before this reaches you, that we have covered ourselves with glory; that Ohio is safe for Cass and Butler by thousands upon thousands. You asked a short time ago, my opinion about Weller's election. Compare it now with the result. Whether he is elected or defeated by a few votes, I cannot tell just now. But have any of my predictions and promises failed within the last eighteen months?"

Ohio and Pennsylvania are both safe enough on the Presidency. Now for the South—the whole South. Let us have the whole South. The northwest will now be strong enough to be their effective allies.

The following is an extract from a letter, dated Cincinnati, Oct. 14, 1848, to a gentleman in Boston. The writer is one of the best informed democrats in Ohio, and his statements may be confidently relied upon—

"I can assure our friends abroad, that no human event is more certain than that the electoral vote of Ohio will be cast for Gen. Cass. I mean the remark in all the strength in which I make it."

No one, not perfectly familiar with the posture of our affairs, can appreciate the extent of our triumph. Taylorism is so completely crushed in Ohio, that its mangled remains give no evidence that they ever had any life. You can tell our friends that they need make no more inquiries about Ohio. The battle has been fought and won."

Ohio Legislature. On joint ballot the legislature will be divided as follows:—Democrats 52, whigs 44, free soil 13.

NORTH CAROLINA.—Our friends in North Carolina, too, are full of activity and full of hope. She wheeled into the Democratic line in 1836—casting her vote for the Democratic nominee for President. Clear the track for her in 1848.

TENNESSEE.—The star of democracy is rising and brightening in this battle-field. We hear of remarkable changes in Tennessee from the whig opposition to the republican banner of Cass and Butler. We hear of one particularly—of an ex-member of Congress—who has declared against the whigs because they declared against their country in the case of Texas and of the Mexican.

GEORGIA.—A correspondent from Mr. Lumpkin's district informs us, says the Union, that in that district alone, they expect to master 500 more democratic votes in November next. But the number polled in the State falls considerably short of the votes in October, 1847. The following article from the Millidgeville, "Federal Union" of the 17th, explains the state of the game:

THE LATE ELECTIONS IN GEORGIA. These show that the State is democratic to the core. The majority in the aggregate vote is small, but this can readily be accounted for. In the first place, the number of votes polled falls short several thousand of the number cast at the election in October, 1847. In the second place, in the 5th and 6th districts where the democrats have overwhelming majorities, confident of success, they did not turn out in their strength; and in the 7th and 8th districts, where they are in a hopeless minority, aware that they could effect nothing, no stimulus existed to bring them to the polls. In the 2d district, confiding in their strength, the democrats did not put forth their energies. In this and the 3d districts, we have assurances from various quarters, that the democracy will largely increase their vote in November.

Father Ritchie, of the Union, at the close of these spirit-stirring letters, says:

Courage friends! We shall carry Pennsylvania, and Ohio, and Virginia, and in all probability North Carolina and Tennessee, besides the other democratic States which will marshal to the banner on the 7th of November. But at the same time let energy and action be our watchwords.

MARK THE SLANDERERS.

The editor of the Kennebec Journal, villifies letter men than himself, in the following coarse and brutal terms:

"John B. Weller, the locofoco candidate for Governor of Ohio, and for whom a considerable portion of the Van Buren free soil party in Ohio voted, is a man of the same school as Senator Allen, but with less talent, less dignity, a sort of locofoco rowdy. Like Allen, he is a brawling demagogue, but keeps lower company. Both are thorough dough faces and serviles so far as slavery is concerned."

"Doughfaces!—Servility to slavery!"—Indeed!—We have heard enough of this sort of hypocritical cant from Northern federalism. A party which nominated a slave holder and a SLAVE MURDERER for President, at the dictation of the SLAVE POWER—which, at its National Convention last June, kicked the anti-slavery proviso, with hisses and contempt, out of doors—which had the power to nominate a man for the Presidency embracing their professed doctrines on the subject of slavery—extension, but which refused to do so, and nominated instead a man THOROUGHLY IMBEDDED IN THE INSTITUTION OF SLAVERY, and who (as was perfectly well known at the time) was bound to the car of slavery both by

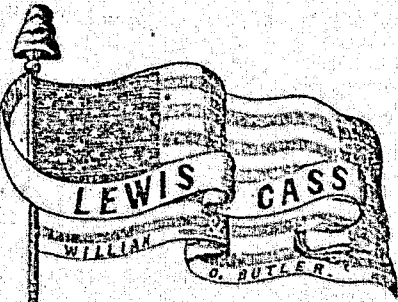
inclination and interest, and would, if elected, exert his utmost power to defeat the free territory movement—such a party, guilty of such hypocrisy and rascality, ought to blush at the very mention of the subject of free territory! "Doughfaces" and "serviles" to the slave power as Northern federalists have shown themselves to be, they ought at least to have the grace to keep silence upon a subject the very mention of which brings up vividly before the mind a recollection of their degradation and infamy. Federalism has done more in this single campaign to turn back the tide of the free territory principle, than it has ever done or ever can do to advance it. It has shown to the North, the South, and the world, that all its opposition to the annexation of Texas on account of slavery—all its talk against slavery and slavery extension—all its bold words about resisting the encroachments of the slave power, and standing up valiantly for the North—were all pretence, gammon, hypocrisy; being the mere offsprings of party hate, and prompted by no higher motives than party strategy.—[Age.]

OXFORD DEMOCRAT.

"The Union must be preserved."

PARIS, MAINE, OCT. 31, 1848.

Democratic Republican Nominations.



ELECTION, TUESDAY, NOV. 7.

FOR PRESIDENT,
GEN. LEWIS CASS,
OF MICHIGAN.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT,
GEN. WILLIAM O. BUTLER,
OF KENTUCKY.

FOR ELECTORS.
HUGH J. ANDERSON, of Belfast.
RUFUS MCINTIRE, of Parisfield.
EDWARD L. OSGOOD, of Fryeburg.
TIMOTHY D. ROBINSON, of Lake Umbagog.
OLIVER L. SANBORN, of Northport.
ANDREW MASTERS, of Hallowell.
ASA CLARK, of Norridgewock.
DAVID R. STRAW, of Guilford.
ARNO WISWELL, of Ellsworth.

A few months since the whigs seemed to have a strong sympathy for the Barn-burner movement, and favored the Buffalo Convention with its platform; but having done their best to draw off democrats to the Van Buren faction, they all at once abandon it, and never was there more bitterness existed between two parties than between the whigs and the mis-called "free-soil" party. Horace Greeley gives the signal, comes out for General Taylor, and represents him, and the whigs of the South generally, as opposed to the extension of slavery—a story for Northern consumption—whereupon the call is made from every whig print, for all who would prefer Gen. Taylor to Gen. Cass, to return to the whig ranks and not throw away their vote on Van Buren, and the call will generally be obeyed.

The same principle of reasoning is applicable to the true free soil democrats. Do you prefer the principles that have ever been entertained by the democratic party, and the great leading measures which have ever secured prosperity to our country, and Gen. Cass, the true exponent of Jeffersonian democracy, to Gen. Taylor, pledged not to veto any Bill Congress may pass, and of course to be a mere tool in the hands of federalists—then do not throw away your vote on Van Buren. Vote for Gen. Cass and you have the question of free territory Constitutionally settled, to the satisfaction of both the North and the South. All sectional jealousies will be removed, and the parties that would create jealousies and divisions between the North and the South, so disastrous to the best interests of the people of this Union, will be lost in disgrace.—Vote for Gen. Cass, and you have free soil, free labor, and an equal and just proportion of the products of the same, instead of Slavery, Banks, High Tariff, and capital against labor. Would you wish to retain the territory we have acquired, to be settled by millions of free laborers, then vote for Gen. Cass, instead of Gen. Taylor, whose supporters would exile it all back to Mexico, if in their power. They have always opposed the acquisition of territory however valuable to the interests and prosperity of this country, because it would lessen their chance for power and oppression. But notwithstanding the opposition made to its acquisition, what friend to his country would now wish to see any of the territory we have acquired fall into the hands of its original owners.

The Norway Advertiser, a professed neutral paper (?) in speaking of the discussion between the Democrats and the "Free Soil" Speakers, on the evening of the 25th, says,—"While the Democrats claim to have kept up their end of slavery proviso, with hisses and contempt, out of doors—which had the power to nominate a man for the Presidency embracing their professed doctrines on the subject of slavery—extension, but which refused to do so, and nominated instead a man THOROUGHLY IMBEDDED IN THE INSTITUTION OF SLAVERY, and who (as was perfectly well known at the time) was bound to the car of slavery both by

Are you all ready?

What a grand and glorious scene it will be to see every democrat, in every school district, in every State, in this vast Republic, marching to the polls on the seventh of November, to deposit his vote in favor of universal freedom and the Union and best interests of all the States. What democrat will not be proud of his vote on that day. What democrat advanced in years will not rejoice in the opportunity of exercising his right of suffrage, perhaps for the last time, in so glorious a cause? What democrat in the vigor of manhood engaged in the busy scenes of life, will not glory in the privilege of assembling around his country's altar, and there offering his vote in favor of humanity, independent of all minor considerations, compared to this all-important subject? Let, then, our own petty interests be forgotten and our country's only be remembered. Here's be the honor and the glory—the good of all—the prosperity of all—be these our noble objects! In this important crisis take courage—fear not—assume the responsibility of promoting the general good—the fame, the glory, the grandeur of this State, of true Union. Do this, and the day will come when you will look back upon your vote on the coming election with all the patriot's pride—self-congratulation. Your very votes will be a legacy to your children. A benefited posterity will vent their gratitude upon your very children, should you have passed into the vortex of time.

To the talented, democratic young men of our country, and especially those who are perhaps to vote for the first time, we ardently appeal.—Your success in every thing depends much upon how you first start. Will you not then delight to follow the examples of your fathers?—If you would render your State and country an inestimable service, here is an opportunity.—"Now is the time." And if fame be your object, here is the occasion to gratify your highest aspirations; you need not step aside for the requirements of patriotism and duty, to worship for a moment at the shrine of ambition. Let the good of your country, the success of Democracy, be your motive, and you will secure a fame that is imperishable. Democracy—the poet's immortality is nothing to this. The tones of the orator may be spent in an evanescent tradition. The laurels of the hero may wither. The name of our beloved Washington may be forgotten in an inglorious degeneracy—the pillars of the Union itself may tumble into ruins, but the true principles of Democracy shall ever endure.—Now, contemplate the rich glories of our country. Behold its present prosperity in the hands of Democracy. See a bright and cloudless day bursting upon her, enlivening her every section, and spreading life, vigor, and freedom over her realm. Picture to yourselves these glowing scenes—and bearing in mind that your votes may be the source of their increase and perpetuity, manfully give your vote for Cass and true Union.

All acquainted with the history of the past, know very well that there has ever been a struggle between the two great dealers in the market of the world, viz: Capital and Labor—and that the federalists in this country have ever been in favor of Capital—never in favor of Labor—have favored partial, unequal, unjust laws, depriving the masses of the true value of their labor, endeavoring to depress its prices, and grind the many to feed the few. While the democratic party has ever endeavored to raise the price of labor, opposing the power of wealth in the hands of the few, designed to keep down the laboring classes—and favored laws equal, equitable and impartial—for the benefit and protection of the masses, the great whole for which society is composed. The motto of the democratic party is—What is for the true interest of all, is for the interest of every individual. This being generally understood, the people of this Republic have generally entrusted the administration of its Government in the hands of Democrats, and who does not know that it has prospered beyond precedent. Look at the present prosperous condition of our country. Labor, except where opposed by Capital, commanding a fair compensation. Agricultural products of every description bearing readily the highest price, and those engaged in Commerce and Manufactures, doing a lucrative business. Was it ever so prosperous under whig rule? No one will pretend it. What then are we to gain by a change from a democratic to a federal administration, especially as the latter is to be by a man with Southern feelings, pledged to Southern interests, instead of a man from a free State, pledged to no section, but bound to the interest of the whole Union? What should we gain by the success of the Van Buren Northern party; and a separation of the North from the South? We should gain a successful war of Capital against Labor. The federalists would rule, and the laborer would become virtually a slave, receiving little more for his labor than does the slave of the South. What then has the democratic laborer, farmer, or mechanic to gain by a change? What have they ever gained by federal rule? Let us throw our vote for a man who has ever been the friend of the laborer, against those who labor only to collect that which others have earned—a man who is pledged to maintain our cause at all risks and at every hazard. If we are united, our strength is well nigh omnipotent, controlling and uncontrollable. Let our opposers form factions and take any name they please, it is all one to us as that we are united. They will seek to divide us by some petty jealousy—because they know that divide and ruin is the only policy that will overthrow us. We must bind ourselves together by the strongest of all—that of self-preservation. We have all one common cause—one common name—one common interest—the interest of Labor—the interest of honest in-

dustry. Keep this one single object in view—no longer at election throw the rope over the roof of the house, and pull at each end, but all pull one way; give one steady "yo heave yee,"—the long—strong—and the pull-together, and the mass of human wrong, inequality, and oppression will be scattered to the four winds of heaven, and the state of Samson will be the fate of all that oppose us; they will be buried in the ruins to rise no more forever.

We must not be satisfied with a bare majority for CASS and BUTLER, but the victory must be so triumphant as to destroy all hope in the opposition of future success.

Look out for the Van Buren lecturers now scouring the country. Attend their meetings, and let some competent democrat reply. Five minutes will be sufficient time to set all things right. The burden of their speeches will be that the democratic party misused Van Buren at the Baltimore Convention; that Gen. Cass has changed his opinions relative to the Wilmot Proviso; that he is pledged to favor Southern interests against the North; and that he is also pledged to veto the Wilmot Proviso Bill—all of which is false, and these lecturers know it.—Their whole aim is to defeat Cass, and aid the gods in the election of Taylor. Hence their efforts to destroy the organization and usages of the democratic party. They are constantly harping about office-holders and office-seekers—a substitute for all argument—but few men have received more offices, or labor harder to obtain them, than they themselves. Many of the Van Buren men may be readily known by their symptoms of hydrophobia—the pure water of democracy gives them "fits." They are not the friends of "free-soil," because the settlement of that question would put an end to their faction at once. We sincerely desire their political salvation, but our faith—alas, we have none "within us."

THE FATE OF THE VAN BUREN FACTION.—Some of its members, who are honest, but have been deceived, will return to their former democratic principles; but generally they will go back to the federal party, where they originally belonged, either before or after they professed to be democrats. Hence it is that federalists always encourage factions, hoping thereby to create divisions in the democratic ranks. So with neutral papers. They generally end in federalism, and as a matter of course, receive a large share of its patronage. Almost every mail brings accounts of neutral papers raising the Van Buren flag; a fine stepping stone down to federalism; a combination of all the factions that have existed since the Tories of '76.

Thanksgiving day happens just the right time—the 16th of Nov.—this year. Just about the time we shall have received sufficient returns to assure us of the election of Gen. Cass. The democracy of this State will have more to be thankful for this year than any year since we became an independent State. And the whigs on that day, can read the Book of Lamentations, and mourn over the downfall of their hero, for whose destruction they so ardently prayed in 1847.

DEMOCRATIC MASS MEETING AT OXFORD. The Mass meeting of the Democrats at Oxford on the 25th, was very fully attended, and the meeting was addressed by Col. Andrews of this town, and E. Gerry, Esq., of Waterford, in a very happy and effective manner. The best anticipations animated all present, and the meeting broke up at a late hour with a full determination, manifested by all present, to do their duty at the Polls on Tuesday next.

Will our friends in the different towns in this county take a little pains to forward us early and correct returns of the vote.

THE WAY THEY DID IT.

Some ideas of the manner in which the Federalists carried the late election in this State, may be gleaned from some facts related to us a day or two since, by a friend of the most reliable character. He says that on the election day, several of the officers of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company, in our sister county of Carlton, were seen leading whole squads of workmen employed by the Company, up to the polls, with tickets in their hands, and almost compelled these poor laborers to deposit just such tickets as their lordships chose to select for them. Not content with creating a political panic, by the suspension of their works a few days before the election, these petty tyrants, or rather as Mike Walsh would call them, these Cod-fish aristocrats, must needs watch the polls with eagle eyes, and lest a poor man should follow the bent of his own inclination and vote for a democrat, he must be led up to the polls like cattle to the slaughter! What a commentary upon the freedom of the nineteenth century! And what a beautiful illustration of Federal love for the poor man and the unrestricted right of suffrage.

Poor men, citizens of Lehigh, Carlton, Bucks, Nottingham and Monroe, we ask you to look at these things, and then say whether you can vote with a party whose leaders thus insult you—who would add the pangs of slavery to those of poverty and who would thus deprive you of the free exercise of the most inestimable right of free-men? Lehigh Democrat.

WHO WOULD HAVE BELIEVED,

That in the year 1848, Henry Clay would not endorse a whig nomination for President? That Daniel Webster should declare it "unfit to be made?"

That John M. Betts should openly denounce it as having been affected by fraud and corruption. Who would have believed in 1848, that in

four years the whig party would be supporting for the presidency the Zachary Taylor who has all the hunting of the Florida Indians with bloodhounds? Who should advise the march to the Rio Grand which was to commence an "unconstitutional and unnecessary war?"

Who in 1847 should profess his ignorance of a bank—"never having investigated the subjects?"

Who at the same time had not inquired into the justice of the war, which the whig party had denounced as "unjustifiable" and "criminal?"

Who had never cast a vote in his life, and whose only declared principle was "not to give his opinion upon any political question?"

And who would have believed that this party would after all this, have the impudence to boast of its honesty? New Haven Register.

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

That the present contest for the Presidency, is emphatically between old and well tried democracy on the one hand, and blue light Federalism on the other—the former striving for the equality and exaltation of man, and the latter for the depression of the laboring classes.

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

That Gen. Taylor is to be supported by the unscrupulous office seekers of the old Federal party, who support him for the sake of the leaves and fishes, without regard to his political opinions, or without knowing whether he ever had an opinion of his own upon any political subject whatever—and in the face and eyes of his own admission, that his opinions are no sort of consequence!

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

That Gen. Taylor is the candidate of factions, and is not pledged to the one term principle, as Gen. Cass did pledge himself in his letter to the Baltimore Convention.

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

That the federal party mean to have a bank, a protective tariff, and a general system of internal improvements, amounting to millions of dollars, if they can, if Taylor is elected; as he has surrendered the veto power in toto.

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

That the federal party are in favor of distributing the proceeds of the public lands among the States, thus in effect assuming the debts of the speculators in State scrip.

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

That Taylor goes for the corrupting schemes of Henry Clay, and says that he should be glad to have had the privilege of voting for Clay in 1844, thus establishing the policy of the Federal party in all its deformity.

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

That Taylor desired the importation of bloodhounds during the Florida war.

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

That Taylor is an extensive slave holder, and has no sympathy for the non-slaveholding states, who, Mr. Benton says, are entitled to the Presidency for years to come.

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

That the scenes of 1840—proscription and extravagance will characterize the government if Taylor be elected.

KEEP IT BEFORE THE PEOPLE.

That the federal party are split up in factions, and prefer men to principles rather than principles to men.

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"DEMOCRATS, STAND BY YOUR PRINCIPLES."

The Salem Advertiser of the 14th, contains an excellent article under this head, which is not only applicable to the democracy of Massachusetts, but to the democracy of the whole country—we commend, particularly to the observation of the democrats of VERMONT, the following extracts:—

"In three weeks the people of this mighty nation will be called upon to give their suffrages for a President and Vice President of the United States. We have every confidence that the democracy will be successful in electing the pure patriot and honest man, LEWIS CASS. But in order to do this, we must put forth our whole strength. All who are in favor of perpetuating republican institutions, of sustaining our glorious constitution, of preserving the general government in its pristine vigor, must be up and doing. Let no one who has ever acted with the democratic party on principle, be led off by any side issues. Let not the siren song of 'free soil' decoy any or carry off any who believe in the democratic principles as taught by the apostle of liberty, Thomas Jefferson.

Gen. CASS has been selected as the standard bearer in the coming contest; let us rally around him. If elected, we shall find him true to all the principles of the democratic party. In days of doubt, trials and darkness, we shall always find him the man upon whom the people may rely in safety. The accusation which is brought by the enemies of Gen. CASS, that he is in favor of extending slavery to territory now free, is a libel founded upon falsehood and malignity. It holds to the opinion that slavery cannot exist where there is no positive law to uphold it, it is not being necessary that it should be forbidden.

This new issue which has been thrust into this contest, is a device of party leaders to effect personal objects or gratify personal resentments; its tendencies are aimed at the integrity and strength of the democratic party, and hostile to the best interests of the country. We hope no sincere democrat will be misled by false cries of the designing, or disappointed men separate themselves from the democracy of the nation.—We ask them to pause and return to their old principles and fellowship."

THE DIFFERENCE. When Lewis Cass was nominated for President he directly resigned his seat in the U. States Senate and retired to his home in Michigan. He has written but a single letter for publication bearing on the question of the Presidency, and that one was to accept the honor of bearing the standard of the national democracy.

Gen. Taylor when nominated for the same office was a Major General in the U. States Army, but he has not resigned his commission up to this day. The number of the letters that he has written relating to the Presidency we shall not attempt to enumerate.

Mark the difference between the two men.—The one resigns a high office, takes no active part in the contest with his rival, and in the seclusion of his home calmly awaits the decision of the American people in regard to himself.—The other holds on to the office in his possession, and acts a conspicuous part to obtain another in the Presidential contest.

LOOK AT HOME.—The democracy of other States must fight their own battles, and will take care of themselves, and the democracy of Maine must do the same. Instead of turning our eyes abroad and speculating as to how this or that State stands, and is likely to vote, let us now LOOK AT HOME, and not neglect our duty to the democratic cause, to ourselves and to our country. We have an enemy right among us, and an enemy determined to defeat us, too.—We shall not obtain the victory unless we fight for it, and we cannot fight a good battle unless we prepare beforehand for the contest. Then make ready for the 7th, and begin TO-DAY. Democrats of Maine, LOOK AT HOME.

The whig orators here in New England, for two or three years past, have frequently represented that Southern slaveholders can cast three votes for every five slaves they own. On this principle, if Gen. Taylor goes for himself, as the owner of 800 slaves, he will cast one hundred and eighty votes for Zachary Taylor! Those whigs who claim Louisiana for Taylor, probably rely on General Taylor voting for himself. General Cass having the misfortune to reside in a free state, on the other hand, should be able to vote for himself, can only cast a single vote. [N. H. Gazette.

FATAL ADMISSIONS.—The incapacity of the federal candidates for the Presidency, has been repeatedly admitted by himself.

His inexperience has also been time and again admitted by himself.

Mr Webster admits that Taylor is a mere soldier, and has had no training in civil affairs.

Mr. Giddenden admits that Taylor never voted.

Mr. Greeley admits that Taylor is ashamed of whig principles.

All the whigs admit that Taylor was first nominated by the nativists.

Mr. Bots admits that Taylor is for adding more territory to the Union.

Willis Hall and Dudley Selden, admit that Taylor was nominated by fraud!

And yet the people are asked to vote for this candidate as President! [Argus.]

CONSISTENT—VERY.

Gen. Cass, if some of the federal papers are to be believed, is a most terrible blood-thirsty man, who is seeking for the presidency merely for the purpose of gratifying his belated propensities and to satisfy his thirst for conquest. And yet a few weeks since, when that rich man, Mr. Abbot Lawrence of Boston, was sent upon an electioneering tour among the Green mountain boys, he told them in a speech at Burlington, Vermont, that Gen. Cass was a very timid man, having a great horror of war, and who trembled very much at the time there was some prospect of a rupture with France.

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NEW YORK POLICE—FRUSTRATED. A few weeks ago, three thousand five hundred dollars were stolen from on board one of the North's boats, and yesterday a colored man named Bob Moore was taken into custody by Capt. Magness, on suspicion of being the thief. A conversation was overheard in relation to the affair, which was communicated to the captain in an anonymous letter, and he thereupon arrested Moore, who is well known to the police. In the same room with him was found a very interesting looking girl, about eighteen years old, who was also brought to the police office. On being questioned as to how she happened to be in the same room with the colored man, she, after some hesitation, gave the following account of herself:—She said that she is a native of Vermont, and having quarrelled with her father, in order to vex him she ran away with a colored seaman, named Hutchinson, to Boston, where she was married to him. In a few days after her marriage, Hutchinson abandoned her, and went to sea, having first introduced her to Moore, the colored man in whose company she was found, and finding herself entirely destitute, she descended another step in degradation, and came to this city with him as his mistress. She refused to tell her maiden name, or in what part of Vermont her friends reside. There was nothing to show that she or the colored man were concerned in the robbery, but they were looked upon for further examination.—[Evening Post.]

The news from Ireland is of painful interest. Smith O'Brien, that noble-hearted Irish Patriot, has been sentenced to death! and with British brutality to be drawn and quartered.—They will not dare to do it. His murder would kindle a flame which might topple these tyrants down.

A bill has passed the senate of Vermont making plurality elect electors of President, &c.

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